

## PATENT APPLICATION

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## CLAIM TO PRIORITY

Sir:

Applicant hereby claims priority under the International Convention and all rights to which he is entitled under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following Priority Applications:

GB 9612264.3 filed June 12, 1996; and PCT/CA97/00418, filed June 12, 1997.

Applicant also claims priority under 35 USC §§ 120 and/or, 121 to the following U.S. Priority Application:

09/147,373, filed June 12, 1998.

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